## **CLAIMS**

## What is claimed is:

1. An article for protection from anal soiling comprising:

an impervious outer layer;

an absorbent middle layer; and

a porous inner layer, wherein the article has a pear-like shape comprising a wide end for covering at least part of the buttocks region and a narrow end that extends just short of the genital region when the wide end is positioned over the buttocks region.

- 2. The article of claim 1, further comprising an additional absorbent pad of medium thickness extending from the narrow end to the beginning of the wide end and providing a dam situated within the ventral portion of the buttock cleft.
- 3. The article of claim 2, further comprising a midline ridge extending from the center of the narrow end to the center of the wide end and fitting into the buttock cleft.
- 4. The article of claim 1, further comprising an adhesive on the back of the outer layer for removable attachment of the article to a garment.
- 5. The article of claim 2, further comprising an adhesive on the back of the outer layer for removable attachment of the article to a garment.

- 6. The article of claim 3, further comprising an adhesive on the back of the outer layer for removable attachment of the article to a garment.
  - 7. The article of claim 1, further including a disposable panty.
  - 8. The article of claim 2, further including a disposable panty.
  - 9. The article of claim 3, further including a disposable panty.